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Letter dated 21 October 1996 from the Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations (Vienna)

The Permanent Mission of the United Kingdom of Great Britain and Northern Ireland to the United Nations (Vienna), in accordance with article IV, paragraph 1, of the Convention on Registration of Objects Launched into Outer Space,* has the honour to transmit information concerning the satellite APSTAR-IA, which was launched on 3 July 1996 (see annex).

*General Assembly resolution 3235 (XXIX), annex, of 12 November 1974.

Annex

REGISTRATION DATA FOR SPACE LAUNCHES OF THE UNITED KINGDOM OF GREAT BRITAIN AND NORTHERN IRELAND*

Name of space object:	**APSTAR-IA**
International designation:	**1996-039A**
Catalogue number:	**23943**
Date of launch and location:	**3 July 1996, Xichang, China**
Basic orbital parameters:	
Nodal period:	**1,440±0.2 minutes**
Inclination:	**0±0.05 degrees**
Apogee radius:	**42,167 kilometres**
Perigee radius:	**42,164 kilometres**
Orbital position (for geostationary satellite):	**134 degrees East**
Owner/operator:	**APT Satellite Co., Ltd., Hong Kong**
General function:	**Fixed-satellite telecommunication services and transmission of television signals**
Expected operational life:	**About 10 years**

*The registration data are reproduced in the form in which they were received.